HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1171

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kierra R. Jamerson, 2012 Valedictorian of East High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kierra R. Jamerson is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2012 graduating class at East High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Kierra has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Jamerson has earned an exemplary 4.7 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including serving as a member of the volleyball team, Allied Health Sciences Optional Program, Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), TriO Educational Talent Search, Bridge Builders, National Honor Society, and Peace Jam; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Ms. Jamerson has endeavored to serve her fellow citizens through her participation in the American Cancer Society Breast Cancer Walk, American Diabetes Association: Step Out for the Cure Walk, Toys for Tots, March of Dimes, Vision Walk, MLK, Jr., March, and Memphis's Catholic's Education that Works Out 5k Run/Walk; she also volunteered at an Easter Egg Hunt and Girls, Inc., planted flowers in Becky's Garden at Bridges, celebrated Christmas at the Hope House of Memphis, and participated in community clean-up efforts; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Kierra Jamerson was selected a William H. Sweet Award honoree and received the All A's Award in Chemistry; and

WHEREAS, Kierra's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at the University of Tennessee at Martin, where she plans to major in nursing; and

WHEREAS, Kierra's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jamerson's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2012 East High School Valedictorian, Kierra R. Jamerson, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.